

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE

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H.R. 427

An act to provide further protections for the watershed of the Little Sandy River as part of the Bull Run Watershed Management Unit, Oregon, and for other purposes

As cleared by the Congress on August 3, 2001

H.R. 427 would add about 2,890 acres of federal lands to the Bull Run Watershed Management Unit in Oregon and amend current law to prohibit timber harvesting within that unit. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 427 could affect direct spending (including offsetting receipts), but we estimate that any such impact would be negligible.

Based on information from the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management, we estimate that prohibiting timber harvesting within the management unit would not significantly affect federal receipts and subsequent payments to states over the next 10 years. Under H.R. 427, that prohibition would apply to roughly 7,000 acres of land where timber harvesting is currently allowed. According to the agencies, those lands currently generate no significant receipts, and the agencies do not expect them to generate significant receipts from timber harvests in the future.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Megan Carroll. This estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.